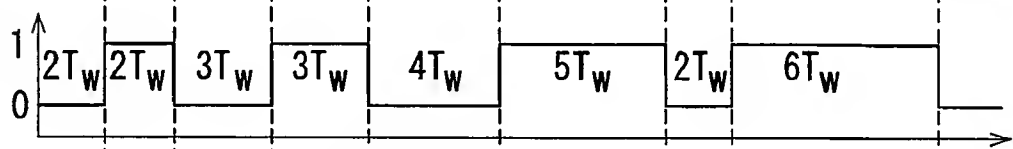
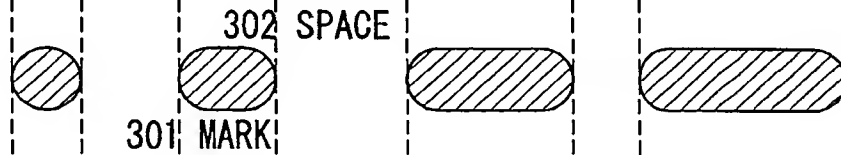
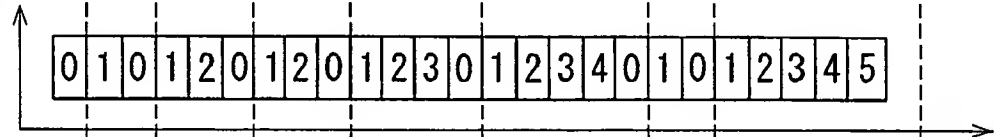
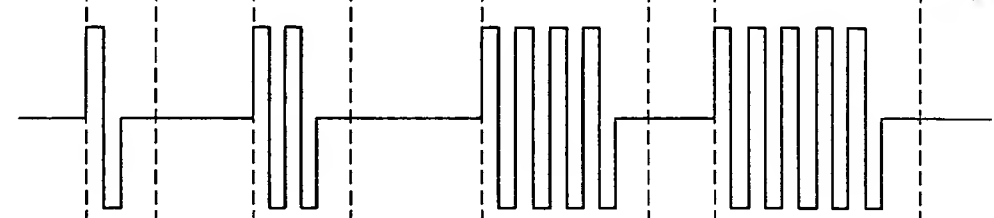


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*Fig. 13A*128  
REFERENCE-TIME  
SIGNAL*Fig. 13B*126 RECORDING  
CODE ROW*Fig. 13C*

300 MARK ARRAY

*Fig. 13D*205 COUNT  
SIGNAL*Fig. 13F*303 EXEMPLARY  
RECORDING  
WAVEFORMS IN A  
PRIOR-ART  
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*Fig. 14A*128  
REFERENCE-TIME  
SIGNAL*Fig. 14B*  
205 COUNT SIGNAL*Fig. 14C* $2T_m$ *Fig. 14D* $3T_m$ *Fig. 14E* $4T_m$ *Fig. 14F* $5T_m$ 